

Please pray for: Joyce Kawa, Mary Kazmark, Joe Dauer, Jacques Crocker, Mary Lou Acevedo, Pat Rosenhahn, Dinh & family, Jerry Wszalek, Louise Solomon, Ken Mrozik, Vincent & Maryjane Messina, Rene & Jay Plodzik, Betty Bryant, Andrew Hendel, Al Knight, Karen Dake, Pauline Steward, Chris Pinto, Karen Helinski and residents of Buffalo Peace House. Previous names are in our Pray For book. Call the office at 852-3331 to add a name to this prayer list, or to have it read in the Prayer of the Faithful at Mass.

Sacraments

Baptism: Please call Carmen Rivera at 847-1463. Before a child receives the sacrament, parents and godparents have to attend a pre-baptismal class. We baptize children at Mass.

Reconciliation: 1st Saturday of the month, 3:00-3:45. but call Fr. Jud in case of special need.

Confirmation/ First Communion/RCIA: Please contact Deacon Jerry.

Weddings: Appointment with the Pastor should be made at least six months before desired date. **Engaged** couples are required to attend a pre-nuptial instruction class.

Funerals: Please have the funeral director contact Fr. Jud before any arrangements are finalized.

Illness, Hospital Stays, Homebound: Parishioners, please notify our parish office immediately. Because of privacy regulations, institutions no longer notify us. Anointing: please call Fr. Jud to arrange. If your loved one is in a hospital, please tell the hospital to call their Catholic chaplain in case of emergency.

Rosary: Every Monday join our trilingual Rosary via Zoom at 7 p.m. Everyone is welcome to pray together. To join, let us know in the office and we will forward your email to Pedro so he can send you the link. The Rosary is prayed partly in English, Spanish, and Igbo, and we have music in English and Spanish. It lasts about 45 minutes. Children are welcome to join as well!

STAFF DIRECTORY

Pastoral Associates:

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Sat: Cory Gallagher 716-868-2047 (Weddings & Funerals) Sunday 9:00: Pedro Rivera Sunday 11:00: Linda Appleby

Youth Group:

Please call the Parish Office, 716-852-3331 to leave a message for our leaders Tera McIlwaine and Chris Augustine.

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Sunday Mass: 9 a.m. Carmen R. Rivera 716-847-1463, 11 a.m. Sandy Villa 716-885

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Mass Schedule: Saturday: 4 p.m.

Sunday: 9 a.m. (Spanish/Español)

Last Sunday of Month: 10 a.m. (bilingual)

followed by pot luck social **Holy Days:** 7 p.m. (Bilingual)

April 30 & May 1, 2022 Ss. Columba-Brigid R.C. Church 75 Hickory St. (near Clinton) Buffalo, NY 14204 716-852-3331 sscolumbabrigid@gmail.com

Pastor: Fr. William "Jud" Weiksnar, OFM

Deacon: Mr. Jerry Hodson Fr. Gabe Scarfia, OFM Br. Tim Dauenhauer, OFM In Heaven: Sr. Karen Klimczak

Congratulations to the Diocese of Buffalo on its 175th Anniversary!

¡Felicitaciones a la Diócesis de Buffalo en su 175 Aniversario!

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OUR FACEBOOK GROUP IS: Ss. Columba-Brigid Parishioners and Friends

OUR WEBSITE IS: sscolumbabrigid.org OUR EMAIL IS: sscolumbabrigid@gmail.com

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT: We the church of Ss. Columba-Brigid are a welcoming, inclusive, multicultural Catholic community inspired by the Holy Spirit to celebrate the Risen Christ in how we worship, love our neighbors, care for God's creation and work for justice in our daily lives.

Nosotros, la iglesia de San Columba-Santa Brígida, somos una comunidad católica acogedora, inclusiva y multicultural inspirada por el Espíritu Santo para celebrar a Cristo Resucitado en la forma en que adoramos, amamos a nuestro prójimo, cuidamos de la creación de Dios y trabajamos por la justicia en nuestra vida diaria.

Electronic Giving: You can donate electronically at our website through tithe ly. Just go to sscolumbabrigid.org and click on the "donate" button. Or go to our Facebook page and click on the "donate" button. Thank you for your generosity in supporting our church!

April 30—May 1, Third Sunday of Easter

<u>The Sanctuary Candle</u> is lit this week in memory of +Betty Birks and +James Zoltek by John Birks & Sue Zoltek.

Saturday, April 30, 2022

4:00 p.m. +Matthew Tapia by The Tapia Family Sunday, May 1, 2022

9:00 a.m. +Ann Alberalla by Pat & Joanne Montemarano

11:00a.m. +Helen Weiksnar by Melissa Weiksnar

Saturday, May 7, 2022

4:00 p.m. +Mary Ann Gatza by the Gzyl Family Sunday, May 8, 2022

9:00 a.m. +Wildelina Correa Rivera by Silvia Rivera 11:00 a.m. +Charles J. Smith by Cliff & Donna Emminger

Road to Renewal: The diocese will offer two sessions to explain the Alpha Catholic program, a wonderful way to invite anyone in your parish, friends, coworkers, neighbors, etc. to reconnect or grow deeper in the Catholic faith. There is a special track for young adults as well. Orientation sessions will be held on Thursday, May 5 at 10 a.m.—12:30 p.m. at Our Lady of the Angels in Cuba and at 6:30-9 p.m. at Our Lady of Peace in Clarence. To register email volunteer1@buffalodiocese.org by May 1. A 4-part Zoom series "Fostering a Spirit of Renewal and Evangelization" by Fr. Frank DeSiano, CSP, President of Paulist Evangelization Ministries will be held on May 10, 17, 25 and 31 from 2-3:30 p.m. To register go to bit.ly/3IPMMz6 Call Ted Musco at 716-847-8374 for more info. Some parishioners are already interested in going. As part of the Road to Renewal, six "pillars" will be key: Liiturgy, Spiritual Life, Forming Disciples, Out Reach/In Reach, Stewardship (which includes Care for Creation) and Administration. Let Fr. Jud, Marta, or Rick Z. know if you are interest-

<u>Chicken Dinner Fund Raiser</u>: If you can help in any way with our Aug. 28 Chicken Dinner, we will be having a meeting on Saturday, May 7 at 10 a.m. in the St. Lucy Room.

Thank You for last weekend's collection of \$1,427 and \$215 for HOPE/Outreach. We also received \$85 in restricted donations. We understand if you can't give at this time due to financial hardship. Please advise us if we might be able to help you with any special needs through our HOPE fund. Also, please pray daily for our parish.

Our next special collection is May 14-15 for the Church in Latin America and Africa.

Are you a parent of young children and your financial situation has changed? If so, you may qualify for the Women's, Infants & Children (WIC) federal nutrition program. Catholic Charities is the administrator for WIC in Erie and Niagara counties and can assist you. For more info about WIC, including income eligibility, visit ccwny.org/wic. To connect with services, call 716-218-1484. Appeal 2022 is ongoing through June 30. To make a donation today, visit ccwny.org/donate or text **GIVEHOPE22** to 44321.

We Did It! With a big rally last week, our parish exceeded our 2022 Catholic Charities goal of \$12,091. We are at 110% of our goal, the first of the seven churches in our district to meet our goal, and one of just 13 churches in the entire diocese to surpass their goal. If you have given already this year, thank you! We are still just one donor away from surpassing last year's total of 37. Donation forms are at the back of church, or give at ccwny.org (and make sure you note that you belong to Ss. Columba-Brigid). Or text GIVEHOPE22 to 44321 Thanks for your generosity!

We are overjoyed that we will be baptizing two youth, Kimora and Amani, at the 11:00 Mass on Sunday, May 1. Congratulations, and we look forward to you getting more and more involved in our parish!

May Crownings will be celebrated at the Masses Sat. & Sun., May 7-8. Hail Mary!

<u>Survey Said</u>: Thanks to all 34 parishioners who filled out the Disciple Maker Index Survey online, and seven who filled out paper surveys. Your responses will help us in our planning for the Road to Renewal.

Check the Easel in the main entrance of the church for the calendar of events with our Family of Families, and other diocesan announcements. The calendar is also on our parish Facebook page and website, or you can take a picture of it on your phone so you'll have the schedule handy!

Donations for Ukraine: As of Tuesday \$1,075 in cash has been donated by parishioners for the Franciscan Relief Fund for the friars still ministering in Ukraine. We know many other people have donated online, using the link on our parish Facebook page. Thank you for your generosity!

Let Us Celebrate! Join us to thank Sr. Maureen Harris for all her years dedicated to "us", the Catholic Churches of Central Buffalo. Our family of parishes is planning a dinner honoring sister on Fri., May 13 at 6 p.m. in our church hall. \$15/per person for dinner, beverages and homemade desserts. Please sign up on the sheet in the vestibule. RSVP will close on Sun., May 1. For payment please put in an envelope with your name and amount attending and place in collection basket when you attend Mass, but still remember to sign your name on the sign up sheet in vestibule.

Happy May Birthdays to: Judy Staszczyk, Anthony Liriano, Robert Klinko, Pedro Liriano, Genesis Gonzalez, Anthony DeJames, Jerry Davis, Jean Marie Dimiyo, Arsema Teklzghi, Paul Gonzalez, Karen Helinski, Sharon Wojtulski, Cliff Emminger, Minia Teklzghi, and Bentley Virella. Please call us in the parish office if we need to update this list for next May.

Parish Council Group D meets Tuesday, May 17 at 7 p.m.

Our Food Pantry needs cereal, peanut butter and jelly, and mac & cheese. Please do not leave food outside the pantry. If donating food, please call the office ahead of time or bring your food donations to Mass.

<u>Pot Luck Social</u>: Yay! We will resume our pot luck social on Sunday, May 29 after the 10:00 Mass.

A Catholic Perspective on End of Life Issues will be held Tues., May 17 at 7 p.m. in the SS. Peter & Paul School Gym, 5480 Main Street in Williamsville. The speaker is Dr. Stan Bukowski, a local Catholic physician. Presented by the Respect Life Ministry at SS. Peter & Paul Parish. Please bring a friend and any questions you may have.

Pope Francis Wants You!: Do you ever feel like no one listens? Pope Francis wants to change that. He has begun a worldwide Synod to hear the voices of everyone. There will be Diocesan-wide listening sessions during May and a session in each Parish Family during the summer and fall. Please check it out and register for a session at BuffaloDiocese.org/Synod (You can also see the schedule on the easel in the vestibule.)

The Diocese Wants You!: "Now is the time to get involved in the world-wide Synod called by Pope Francis. Our effort, Listening in Love and Hope, aspires to reach and listen to many voices within the Church. I urge you to perhaps invite someone who may feel disenfranchised, so that we can hear how you feel about the Church and what we wish it to be going forward. Please seek out an upcoming Listening Session on the Diocesan website during May. The journey will continue with listening sessions in our Parish Families during the summer and fall." - Bishop Michael Fisher